

Sad Fate of a Young Lawyer Who Quoted From a Distinguished Authority Before a Justice.

While sitting at a hotel table in a small city of Southern Iowa a short time ago I got into a conversation with a well-known lawyer, and remarked that the death of Sir Joseph Chitty had removed the one prominent lawyer who was a match for any one in the arts of chaff and word fencing. The General seemed surprised that a lawyer named Chitty had been alive within the present year.

"Why, bless my soul," he said, "nearly half a century ago when I began to study law, I used to read my book over one Chitty, whose book on pleadings was as hard as nails, and over another book written by a man of the same name on contracts."

I told him that for five or six generations there had always been some man named Chitty in the front rank of the legal profession.

After a few other reminiscences the Iowa lawyer turned to me and said: "Let me tell you what I remember about Chitty, and I have never been in England. Like most young men of my time in Iowa—about the middle of the century—I had to hustle to get a profession, and when I got it the difficulty was to make anything out of it. I hung out my shingle, and for many a weary month watched it rustling and swinging in the breeze."

"Suddenly came the call to action. A neighboring farmer bought a horse that soon manifested all the defects that such animals are capable of possessing. The farmer came to me as an agent and told me he wanted to get his money back. I went into the facts with him, and from what he told me I felt able to advise him that the seller had given him a verbal guarantee of soundness. This was enough. He told me to proceed with the case."

"The trial was to take place before a justice of the peace in an adjacent township. So on the day appointed I borrowed a horse, put on a black coat and a sing hat, and with a copy of Chitty—the only law book I possessed bearing on the case, however remotely—in my saddle bag, I went on my way. In those days we took our law wherever we could find it and law books were scarce. After my statement of the facts I produced my Chitty and read what the great legal light had to say on the subject of a verbal guarantee."

"And then, while working up to my 'peroration,' I closed the book and laid it on the table. The opponent, Jim Burton—that was the other fellow's name—bounced to his legs. 'Yer honor,' he said, 'this is a most extraordinary way for a lawyer to defend his cause in your court. I hold in my hand the authority from which so much has been quoted. You may like to hear something about this wonderful authority—law. Here it is, right on the first page. This old book, with the broken back to indicate the rottenness of the law it pretends to expound, was written, it seems, by a man named Joseph Chitty, Esq., barrister-at-law, of Lincoln's Inn, London, England. Your Honor never heard of Joseph Chitty, Esq., no more than I did I bet. No man in this court ever heard tell of him. Nobody in this township knows who he is or was. Barrister-at-law!'

"What's that? In the name of all that's holy! We've heard of attorney, and solicitor, and counsel, and judge, jury and prisoner at the bar, but whoever heard tell of barrister before this? The only fair presumption, yer Honor, is that 'tis some scallywag that was brought up to the bar to have a drink—the whiskey bar—an' they call such fellows in England barristers! An' ye see such presumption must be right, because the writer—who, for all we know, may be nothing more than a plague-ridden lives in an inn, a common low dive of place, a tavern a third rate hotel, as yer Honor knows such places are called in England."

"Yer Honor, are we in Iowa, to take our law from some travelling circus man that was brought up to the whiskey bar an' lives in one of them dens of infamy that the Britishers called an inn? Yer Honor I want to ask the court if the law made here in the United States of America isn't good enough for us? When we have to decide on the merits of a case owned by a reputable farmer in the State of Iowa, must we go for instructions to one of them bloody, brutal Britishers that we kicked out of this country so many years ago? Yer Honor will, of course, dismiss this case, an' send my friend with the plug hat back to his home with a flea in his ear, 'an broken backed Chitty, Esq., of the London tavern to keep him company.'

"This was said with a fury that roused the angry passions of the Court and court room. 'The case is dismissed,' said the Judge; 'we don't want no British law from the dwellers in London taverns in this court. You're right, Jim Burton. The Court is with you.'

"Leaving the room, I had a talk with my client, and told him that of course we would take an appeal. 'Young man,' he said, 'is that straight what Jim Burton says? Was that a d-book of yours writ by an Englishman?' I replied that Chitty was the greatest living authority on the law of contracts.

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